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Kentucky's Massive Problem of Parents Behind Bars - How to Help the Kids

JEFFERSONTOWN, Ky. - A new report finds that Kentucky has the highest percentage of children who have had a parent incarcerated, which is having a devastating toll on families, especially the kids.



The Annie E. Casey Foundation says at 13 percent, Kentucky's rate is nearly double the national average.

Terry Brooks, a leading child advocate in Kentucky and executive director at Kentucky Youth Advocates, says he, like many, is stunned by the scale of the problem; 135,000 kids with a parent in jail or prison at some point in their lives.

"If all of those kids were a school system it would be the biggest school system in Kentucky," says Brooks.

The KIDS COUNT report recommends a variety of ways to help children who struggle with emotional and financial instability because a parent has been incarcerated.

Kathy Harrison Turner of Louisville is caring for her 7-year-old twin grandsons while their dad is in jail and their mom in treatment for what she calls "the heroin monster." She says support for things like childcare and kinship care is crucial.

"Helping them to adjust to a lot of change and provide them with stability and security," says Harrison Turner.

Brooks, the executive director of Kentucky Youth Advocates, says a common thread in the recommendations is getting parents who are locked up job-ready.

"If I can walk out of jail with a skill set that gets me a productive, dollar-earning job, I have a shot, a much better shot, at making it," he says.

Harrison Turner says support during a parent's reunification and reentry also has to include things like housing and counseling.

"They need ways to cope, to learn, to continue to progress and be productive members of society," she says.

The data for the report was collected in 2011 and 2012, around the time when Kentucky was reforming its criminal justice system to downsize its prison population.

Brooks says while incarceration numbers have not fallen yet, they have leveled off, and he believes the reforms are benefiting children.

Reference:

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Breaking the cycle: New Legacy aims to help ex-cons reintegrate and fight the pattern of recidivism

By: Michael L. Jones

When he was 12 years old, Kenny Tilley used drugs for the first time with an older family member. In 2005, he served his first stint in prison for a robbery committed to support his habit. Over the next decade, he would be incarcerated several more times for drug-related offenses. Each time he was released, he tried to change his life, but it was hard to do when he kept returning to the same place where he started using drugs.

That changed in January after he was released, following a 14-month sentence for drug trafficking. Instead of going to live with his family, Tilley, 34, reported to the New Legacy Reentry Corp. at 1115 Garvin Place in Old Louisville.

New Legacy is a faith-based organization committed to breaking the cycle of chronic recidivism for ex-offenders who have been incarcerated for nonviolent, nonsexual crimes.

“I had a long career as a drug addict and a criminal. New Legacy gave me some breathing room to really think about my life,” Tilley told LEO. “When I got out, I didn’t have to worry about a place to live, or if I was going to be able to get a job. They helped me to get my ID, birth certificate and Social Security card. I’m in drug-court now and doing well. Being in a stable environment has really raised my self-worth.”

At this rate, Tilley would be an exception among Kentucky’s released felons.

Kentucky has one of the highest incarceration rates in the world, greater than Russia’s or El Salvador’s, according to a 2015 study by the Prison Policy Initiative, a Massachusetts-based non-profit, non-partisan organization that researches mass-criminalization issues. Our state imprisons 948 people per 100,000 residents compared to the national average of 716 people per 100,000. Kentucky also has a 41 percent recidivism rate. That is compared to 37.6 percent in Indiana and 46 percent in Tennessee. The national rate was 43.3 percent, according to a 2011 Pew Report.

Gisela Nelson and her husband, Paul Nelson Sr., founded New Legacy in 2011 with money generated by their construction company, Level of Excellence Construction. Felons apply while still imprisoned. If they are accepted, New Legacy provides transitional housing, a job at Level of Excellence (pay starts at \$10 an hour, depending on experience), vocational training, and life-skills classes. In return, clients pay \$90 a week, do chores around the building, meet weekly with a psychologist from Spalding University and attend Alcoholic Anonymous or Narcotic Anonymous meetings. The two-year program is currently only open to men, but New Legacy hopes to eventually have a similar program for women. So far, 11 ex-felons have gone through the program. The group has room for 24 clients, but they prefer to keep the maximum at 17. There are currently seven people living in the building and working in the construction program.

The way Gisela Nelson sees it, a main factor in the revolving door of the criminal justice system is that the stigma of incarceration makes it hard for ex-felons to find employment. The Kentucky Legislature passed a bill, which Gov. Matt Bevin signed into law, that would allow people with a non-violent felony to have their records expunged after five years with no other arrests. This is aimed at making it easier for ex-felons to find work.

But Nelson believes something more is needed.

“These men — and women — still have a scarlet letter on them. We take people that come from traumatic backgrounds, and when they are released, we expect them to pay restitution [and] pay for oversight, and they can’t get a job because employers are afraid of what they might do. That is not a system that is set up for success. We need a cultural change that is going to put people in position to succeed. That is what New Legacy is about,” said Gisela Nelson, 53.

Breaking the cycle continued from page 2.....

Stories of success

In the two months he's been at New Legacy, Tilley said, he has made a plan for his life that doesn't include drugs or crime. He and another New Legacy tenant plan to start a roofing company. They hope to be subcontractors for Level of Excellence Construction.

The Nelsons credit God with putting them on the path to New Legacy. The couple married 23 years ago, almost six months to the day after they met in church. Gisela Nelson was an Army brat. Her name was given to her by a family friend in West Germany. She grew up in Louisville and attended the University of Pittsburgh, where she got a bachelor's degree in social work. Most of her work experience has been in the corporate setting, at IBM and at hospitals in Kentucky and Pennsylvania.

Paul Nelson, 67, said he comes from a well-to-do Pittsburgh family. His stepfather owned several businesses in the city. As a teenager, he used drugs, and he was homeless at one point. He got into construction because it was quick money that got him off the street. He ended up working at J. Francis Restoration, a remodeling and contracting company, and became a foreman. The owner, also a recovering addict, tended to hire people who had some involvement with the criminal justice system. One such employee was a young man who was a good worker, but he had a history of robbery. One day some tools were missing from a worksite, and Paul Nelson was sure that the young man had taken them. Instead of getting the police involved, Nelson told the kid to bring back the tools, and, instead of firing him, Paul decided to mentor the young man.

"I raised three grown sons, so I understand young men. Men need to talk to other men, but it's hard to give it up about our insides. That's why the construction work is important because you spend so much time together," he said.

After that first young man, the Nelsons fell into a pattern of meeting troubled young people and getting involved in their lives. In 1997, the couple formed Nelson's Drywall, which became their current company, Level of Excellence, in 1999. As part of the Black Contractors Association, the company participated in the Youth Construction Initiative, which trained recent graduates who lacked direction, and former inmates, in construction. The young people were paid a stipend and then paired with an association member.

'A person can only change when they are ready to change'

The Nelsons' work became personal around 2000 when her nephew, Kent A. Fowler, was incarcerated, Gisela Nelson said. Fowler had moved from Southern Indiana to Pittsburgh to live with his aunt and uncle, because his parents felt like he was hanging out with the wrong people. But the Nelsons had kicked him out because he refused to follow their rules. After Fowler got in trouble, he was sentenced to boot camp. When his sentence was over, he was enrolled in the Youth Construction Initiative and assigned to work with Level of Excellence, which had a contract to do work at Carnegie Mellon University. Fowler hated construction, but he eventually turned the skills that he learned into a successful property management company. He is currently a life coach with an office at New Legacy. He also teaches a life-skills class for the New Legacy residents. Fowler doesn't use his own story as motivation because, he said, the individual can decide his direction.

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MORAL RECONATION THERAPY (MRT) CLASS GRADUATES

Submitted by:
Chris Baker—District 14
Cynthiana Probation and Parole Office

Reflecting on the graduating MRT class.

One experience that has stood out for me so far has been when a participant had just finished giving her step 1 testimony. She had admitted to some past behaviors that would be difficult for most people to discuss. She was being brutally honest and was visibly uncomfortable discussing those actions; however she continued to give the whole testimony.

After we deliberated, she was called back into the room, and the class immediately started clapping before she could get through the door. Normally the groups are pretty light hearted and sometimes wait until the last minute to clap. When an individual re-enters the room, applause signifies they passed the step, quiet signifies they have to repeat it. When the group started clapping prematurely, I took it as them trying to show her how much they appreciated her honesty, but most important; that they cared about how she feels.

I have always felt that groups get more out of programs when they respect each other and want to see each other be successful. In the institutions, I had the mindset that as a program facilitator, I owed it to the offenders that they get as much out of the curriculum as possible

before they returned back to their families and communities. Now I truly see how much these individuals impact their community, and I feel that MRT is making that more of a positive impact for the community.



Right to left: John Wright, Anthony Morris, Floyd Wright, Adam Bowles, Celia Eads, Adam Fooks, Bridgette Carson, Davi Stanley, Michael Morris, and James Soard
Center in chair: Officer Chris Baker



Group MRT discussion meeting



Officer Andrea Abell, District 6,
"Hard At Work"

**SPOTLIGHT ON REENTRY
PROBATION AND PAROLE OFFICER:
ANDREA ABELL, DISTRICT 6, BARDSTOWN**

Written by: Kevin Brumley

Andrea Abell started her career with Probation and Parole in 2009 as a PSI writer in the Versailles Office. In 2011, she transitioned to a Probation and Parole Officer spot and supervised a regular caseload. During this time, she was trained in all the reentry classes offered by the Kentucky Department of Corrections (DOC), those classes were: 24/7 Dads, Thinking 4 A Change (T4C) and Moral Reconation Therapy (MRT). She also earned the Outstanding Employee Award for District 14 for her casework. She eventually transitioned to a Louisville Probation and Parole (P&P) Office where she supervised a regular caseload. In 2014, she moved to the Bardstown P&P Office and initially wrote PSIs, but transitioned to supervising a Sex Offender Caseload after a spot opened up. Ms. Abell supervises one of the largest Sex Offender Caseloads in the state and has quickly become known as a subject matter expert that various Judges rely on for her expert testimony. Ms. Abell is known as a "can-do" co-worker and has been known to drop everything she is doing to help a co-worker even if it's a last minute notice and drives to Larue County for releases, arrests, etc. Ms. Abell is able to do all of this while being the Reentry Liaison for the Bardstown Office (which is additional extra duties on top of her caseload). Ms. Abell's experience, positive attitude, and strive to do what is right, makes her a valuable person to this district and the Department of Corrections as a whole.

Do you know your local resources? If not, it can be found at:

<http://corrections.ky.gov/reentry/Pages/Pre-ReleaseCommunityResources.aspx>

Please review the map to determine what District Area that you will need resources from and click on it.

For those of you that do not have access to internet, please write:

**Kentucky Department of Corrections
Reentry Branch
PO Box 2400
Frankfort, KY 40602-2400
Attn: Melissa Moore**



**SPOTLIGHT ON REENTRY
PROBATION AND PAROLE OFFICER:
CHRIS BAKER, DISTRICT 14, VERSAILLES**
Written by: Charece Brown

Mr. Chris Baker is a 2010 graduate of Eastern Kentucky University with a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice. Upon graduating, Chris began his career as a Correctional Officer at the Marion Adjustment Center (MAC). Shortly thereafter, he left MAC and started working at the Laurel County Detention Center in London KY, as a Deputy Jailer. In 2012, Chris began working with the Department of Corrections at the Northpoint Training Center (NTC) as a Corrections Officer. In 2013, Chris was then promoted to a Classification Treatment Officer (CTO). In 2014, Chris started overseeing the Moral Reconation Therapy (MRT) programs at Northpoint. While assigned as the Re-entry CTO at Northpoint, he along with facilitator Britany Napier were instrumental in starting the first group in Kentucky to complete the MRT Veterans Program. Chris is also trained to facilitate Inside Out Dads and Thinking for a Change, as well as facilitating Positive Mental Attitude, and Life Without a Crutch.

In February of 2016, Chris started working for Probation and Parole with District 14 in Harrison County. In April of 2016, Chris started an MRT class in the Cynthiana Field Office. He currently has 13 participants in the MRT class. The class is requiring the participants to take a look at themselves and their consequences of their past behavior and attitudes in a group setting. MRT in the community has several more obstacles than in an institutional setting, mainly transportation back and forth, and trying to attend group around work schedules. MRT participants have been supportive of each other and have realized that they share many of the same experiences.

IF YOU KNOW OF ANYONE THAT DOES REENTRY OR OFFERS REENTRY SERVICES AND WOULD LIKE TO SPOTLIGHT THEM, PLEASE LET THIS OFFICE KNOW:

MELISSAJ.MOORE@KY.GOV

YOU HAVE A VOICE!!! Want to use it??
Interested in joining a Kentucky Reentry Council in your area??

Kentucky Reentry Councils

Kentucky Reentry is made up of reentry task forces or councils throughout the state of Kentucky. The reentry groups do not provide services for ex-offenders, nor do they have reentry programs. They are made up of individuals and organizations networking together to share information and improve the reentry process. The members may be organizations and/or individuals that provide services and/or have interests in helping. Each group is focused toward ex-offenders coming back to their areas, the issues involved, and making their community safer.

The basic purpose of each group are:

To address the current issues ex-offenders face

To develop a network of resources and service providers within their area

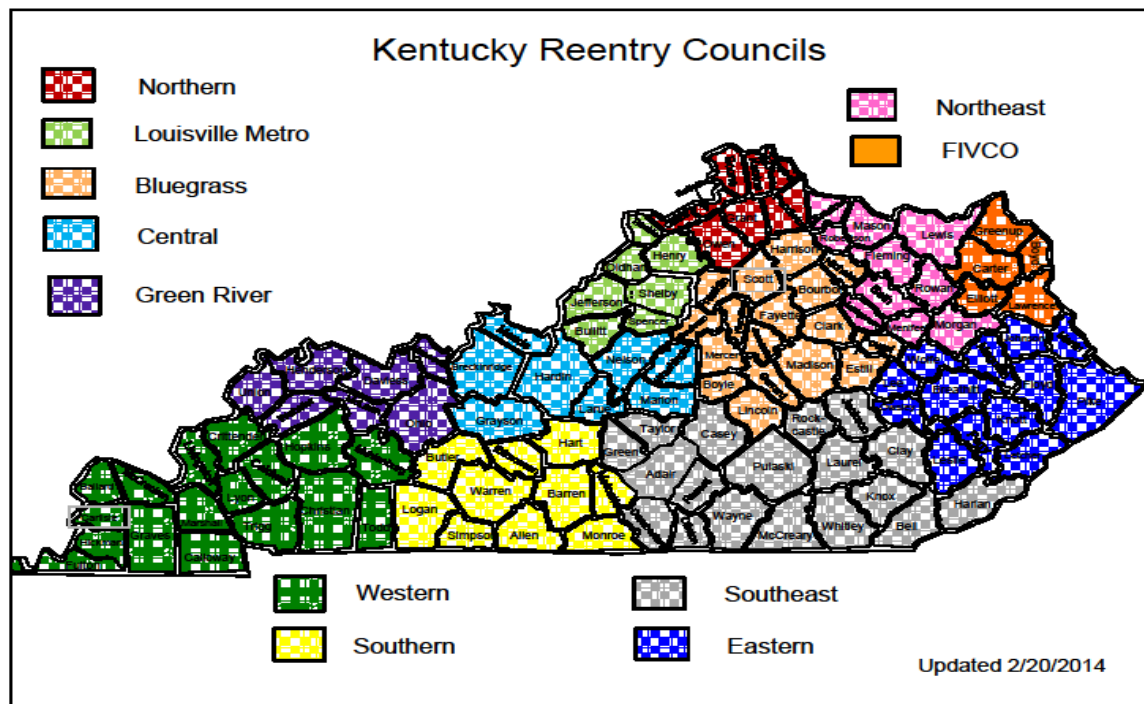
To communicate and advocate ex-offender issues to the community and their leaders.

If you would like to join, please visit our updated website: www.kentuckyreentry.org for meeting dates, times and locations in your area!

Also, visit us on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/kentuckyreentry>

<https://www.facebook.com/louisvillereentry>



RESOURCES:



WOMEN'S EMERGENCY SUPPORT CENTER



Support Center for the Homeless
5448 North Hwy 25E Ste. B
Gray, KY 40734
606-546-3152

Admissions Criteria:

Criteria for shelter admission has been established to ensure equal treatment for all the residents based on the following indicators: the communal living environment with residents sharing daily chores; qualifications of staff and volunteers; limited number of staff on duty; and preserving the safety/well being of all participants.

The following criteria will be used by the Shelter Staff to determine the eligibility of an individual for acceptance for admission to the shelter.

1. Individual must meet eligibility as set by the McKinney Guidelines for Homelessness
2. Individual or head of household must be at least eighteen years of age
3. Individual must be alcohol/drug free
4. Initial acceptance, if all other admissions criteria have been met, will be for a period of twenty-four hours during which the individual must participate in a screening process to determine eligibility compliance
5. Individual must be capable of performing basic tasks such as taking care of children and self, bathing, dressing, food preparation, and household chores
6. Individual must be willing to develop a goal plan for themselves and minor children
7. Individual must not have any outstanding warrants, judgments, or any felony offences that involve violence or other acts of harm to others
8. Individual must be willing to accept a community living situation
9. Individual must be willing to abide by all the rules and regulations of the shelter

The shelter consists of 15 beds, which house women with children and single women who have been displaced due to eviction, natural disaster, denial of assistance family members, and other crisis circumstances.

The shelter provides services such as case management, transportation, life skills workshops, clothing, food, etc.

The goals of the shelter are:

- To provide a safe place for women and children to stay while they are in search of housing and/or employment, and other mainstream services.
- To develop client self-sufficiency through the provisions of education, work experience, and skill development.
- To foster partnerships in the delivery of shelter and supportive services
- To promote awareness and educate the community about homeless issues
- To increase the community involvement and commitment to funding center operations

KCEOC Community Action Partnership is dedicated to recognizing human potential, improving communities, and, creating opportunities for change.

KCEOC Women's Emergency Support Center Is an Equal Housing Provider



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Shelter does accept donations.
Any donations are greatly appreciated.

Shelter Needs:

Linens, Paper Items, Non-perishable Food, Cleaning Supplies, Household Items, Hygiene Products, Baby Items, and Recreation Items.

Any donations are greatly appreciated.

RESOURCES:



SKHHA Southeast Kentucky Homeless & Housing Alliance

**Partnering to provide resources to
move families from
homelessness to housing**



Eligibility Criteria:

To be eligible for services, individuals must meet one the following eligibility criteria:

Literally Homeless- Individual/family lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, meaning: has a primary nighttime residence place not meant for human habitation; OR is living in a publicly or privately operated shelter; OR is exiting an institution where (s)he has resided for 90 days or less AND who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution.

Imminent Risk- Individual/family who will imminently lose their primary nighttime residence, provided that the residence will be lost within 14 days of the date of application for homeless assistance, no subsequent residence has been identified, AND the individual/family lacks the resources or support networks needed to obtain other permanent housing.

Fleeing/Attempting to Flee Domestic Violence

- Any individual/family who is fleeing or is attempting to flee, domestic violence, has no other residence, AND lacks the resources or support networks to obtain other permanent housing.

In a moment of decision the best thing you can do is the right thing. The worst thing you can do is nothing. —Theodore Roosevelt

SERVICES:

The SKHHA was formed by five organizational members experienced in crisis and intervention programs, to provide assistance to individuals and families who become homeless. The SKHHA program provides services that include the following:

- ♦ Case Management
- ♦ Education
- ♦ Employment Assistance & Job Training
- ♦ Housing Search and Counseling
- ♦ Life Skills Training
- ♦ Outreach
- ♦ Transportation

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Below is a list of items that will help in our efforts to serve the homeless. Please contact one of our Partners to make donations or to learn how you can volunteer to help the homeless.

Linens

(towels, washcloths, pillows, blankets, sheets, etc.)

Paper Items

(paper towels, toilet paper, tissue, etc.)

Non-Perishable Food

(canned meats, soup, macaroni, etc.)

Cleaning Supplies

(bleach, laundry detergent, dishwashing liquid, etc.)

Household Items

(dishes, lamps, silverware, furniture, etc.)

Hygiene Products

(shampoo, lotions, deodorant, combs, razors, etc.)

Baby Items

(diapers, baby wipes, powders, lotions, etc.)

Partners of the SKHHA are Equal Housing Providers



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RESOURCES:**Are you pregnant or the parent of a newborn?**

Do you have questions about.....

-a healthy pregnancy?
-a healthy baby?
-a healthy toddler?
-a healthy family?

Why Should parents participate in HANDS?

Pregnancy and parenthood can be overwhelming experiences, which come with worries, questions, and stress.

During pregnancy a parent may wonder:

- “Are the feelings I’m having about my pregnancy typical?”
- “What physical changes and discomforts can be expected during pregnancy?”
- What should I know before delivery and before bringing baby home?”
- How do I prepare my other child/children for the addition of a new sibling?”

After the child arrives, questions may include:

- “How do I know what my baby and needs when he cries?”
- “How do I help my baby and other children feel secure and loved?”
- “When should my child begin walking and talking?”
- “How important is a dad’s role in a child’s development?”
- “What is appropriate discipline for my child?”
- “How do I balance everyone’s needs in my family?”

HANDS is a voluntary home visitation program for moms, dads and families. HANDS answers these kinds of questions and provides parents with support in developing parent-child relationships, at no cost to the family.

What can parents expect?

All families will receive information and learn about community resources for parents.

Some families will receive further support through home visitation. These families will engage in fun activities, right in their home, to learn more about:

- Having a healthy pregnancy
- Caring for their baby
- How to bond with their child
- How to provide their child with enriching learning experiences
- Creating a safe and healthy home
- Child development
- Dealing with stress

Who can participate?

- Any parent (mom/dad) expecting a new baby
- Families must be enrolled prenatally or before a child is 90 days old

**How has HANDS improved Kentucky families' lives?**

Families who participated in HANDS (compared to families who did not participate) experienced*:

- Fewer premature infants
- Fewer low birth weight babies (<5 lbs, 9 oz)
- Fewer very low birth weight babies (<3 lbs, 5 oz)
- Fewer developmental delays

Studies have shown that families who participate in HANDS in the first trimester of pregnancy experience even fewer incidence of the above.

Parents also reported improvements in their:

- Home's safety
- Support system
- Discipline techniques
- Anger management skills
- Coping skills
- Amount of stress

***Results according to 2002-2005 vital statistic data and program evaluation data.**

HANDS believes

- All parents want to be good parents.
- All parents want their children to be healthy.
- All families have strengths.
- Families are responsible for their children.
- Families are the primary decision makers regarding their children.
- Communities recognize their roles in children's lives.
- Communities recognize that all children must succeed.
- Prevention and early intervention improve the community's well-being
- Public and private partnerships are vital to a successful program.

CONTACT YOUR LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT or go to www.KYHANDS.com

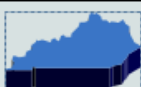
Cabinet for Health and Family Services
275 East Main Street, HS2W-C
Frankfort, KY 40621
(502) 564-3756, option 2
www.chfs.ky.gov/dph/mch/ecd/hands

RESOURCES:**NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS HELPLINES (FIND A MEETING)**

Description: (Kentucky Area)	Phone Number:	Website:
Kentuckiana Region	N/A	http://www.krsna.org
Pennyrile Area (Paducah & Hopkinsville)	N/A	http://www.na-pana.org/
Southern Zonal Forum	N/A	http://www.szfna.org/
Across the River Area (Henderson)	877-642-5831	http://www.atrana.org/
South Central Kentucky Area (Bowling Green, Glasgow, Scottsville, Franklin)	866-901-2849	www.sckana.net
Louisville Area	502-499-4423	http://nalouisville.org/
Grassroots Area (Campton, Inez, Salyersville, etc.)	855-319-8869	http://grassrootsna.org
Bluegrass-Apalachian Region (Central Kentucky)	859-253-4673	http://www.barcna.com
Kentucky Survivors Area (Lexington)	859-253-4673	http://www.kentuckysurvivors.com

ALCOHOL ANONYMOUS HELPLINES (FIND A MEETING)

Description: (Kentucky Area)	Phone Number:	Website:
Bowling Green, Kentucky (Central Office)	270-782-5267	N/A
Gilbertsville, Kentucky (Western Kentucky Intergroup)	800-606-6047 270-362-7141	N/A
Louisville, Kentucky (Greater Louisville Intergroup)	502-582-1849	www.louisvilleaa.org
Covington, Kentucky (Northern Kentucky Central Office)	859-491-7181	home.fuse.net/nkyaa
Lexington, Kentucky (Bluegrass Intergroup)	859-225-1212	www.bluegrassintergroup.org
Owensboro, Kentucky (Intergroup 17)	278-683-0371	N/A
Local Area Web site(s) that May have A.A Meeting Information	Area 26 Kentucky	Www.area26.net

YOU ARE INVITED:**BLUEGRASS FAMILIES
OF THE INCARCERATED******FREE AND CONFIDENTIAL****

Families of the Incarcerated is a group of family members in the Lexington, Kentucky area with loved ones incarcerated, committed to providing support to one another and provide for a smoother transition for the families once their loved ones return home. They meet the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:30 PM at American National University and welcomes all families who are seeking a place of love, support, and encouragement as they deal with having a member of their family in prison.

PLEASE RSVP TO: jamnorton@gmail.com, 859-338-9821 (Jim)

Upcoming 2016 Monthly Meetings/Topics:

June 15—Laurel Conners, Federal Probation

July 20—NO MEETING

August 17—Judge James Ishmael, Circuit Court Judge, Lexington

September 21—TBD

October 19—TBD

November 16—Kerry Mears, Department of Corrections, ReEntry Branch

December 21—TBD

Bluegrass Families of the Incarcerated, American National University
2376 Sir Barton Way, Lexington, KY

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Northern Kentucky Family & Friends of the Incarcerated

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They meet the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM at Catholic Charities
3629 Church Street, Covington, KY

Contact:
Sr. Dolores Giblin
giblin@ndapandas.org

Upcoming 2016 Dates

June 21	July 19
August 16	September 20
October 18	November 15
December 20	

On **October 18, 2016** at 7:00 PM Guest Speaker Kerry Mears from the Reentry Branch of the Kentucky Department of Corrections for a Family Engagement Question & Answer session.

www.kentuckyreentry.org
www.facebook.com/NorthernKentuckyReentry/
www.facebook.com/KentuckyFamiliesoftheIncarcerated/



GREATER LOUISVILLE RE-ENTRY COALITION OF FAMILY & FRIENDS OF THE INCARCERATED & CONVICTED

****Free & Confidential ****

On the 2nd Thursday of every month the Greater Louisville Reentry Coalition of Families & Friends of the Incarcerated & Convicted meets at 6:30 PM at:
New Legacy, 1115 Garvin Place, Louisville, KY
www.newlegacyrc.org

OUR GROUP INCLUDES ANY FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN THE LOUISVILLE AND SURROUNDING AREA WITH LOVED ONES INCARCERATED OR PREVIOUSLY CONVICTED. WE ARE COMMITTED TO PROVIDING SUPPORT TO ONE ANOTHER AND PROVIDE FOR A SMOOTHER TRANSITION FOR THE FAMILIES ONCE THEIR LOVED ONES RETURN HOME AND SUPPORTING THEM AFTER RELEASE.

The Greater Louisville Area Encompasses the following counties: Jefferson, Bullitt, Spencer, Shelby, Henry, Trimble, Oldham

www.louisvillereentry.org
www.facebook.com/louisvillereentry
www.facebook.com/KentuckyFamiliesoftheIncarcerated

Contact: Melissa
melissaamosjones@gmail.com

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June 9	October 13—KY DOC
July 14	November 10
August 11	December 8
September 8	

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Northern Kentucky Family & Friends of the Incarcerated

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They meet the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM at Catholic Charities
3629 Church Street, Covington, KY

Contact:
Sr. Dolores Giblin
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Upcoming 2016 Dates

June 21	July 19
August 16	September 20
October 18	November 15
December 20	

On **October 18, 2016** at 7:00 PM Guest Speaker Kerry Mears from the Reentry Branch of the Kentucky Department of Corrections for a Family Engagement Question & Answer session.

www.kentuckyreentry.org
www.facebook.com/NorthernKentuckyReentry/
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GREATER LOUISVILLE RE-ENTRY COALITION OF FAMILY & FRIENDS OF THE INCARCERATED & CONVICTED

****Free & Confidential ****

On the 2nd Thursday of every month the Greater Louisville Reentry Coalition of Families & Friends of the Incarcerated & Convicted meets at 6:30 PM at:
New Legacy, 1115 Garvin Place, Louisville, KY
www.newlegacyrc.org

OUR GROUP INCLUDES ANY FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN THE LOUISVILLE AND SURROUNDING AREA WITH LOVED ONES INCARCERATED OR PREVIOUSLY CONVICTED. WE ARE COMMITTED TO PROVIDING SUPPORT TO ONE ANOTHER AND PROVIDE FOR A SMOOTHER TRANSITION FOR THE FAMILIES ONCE THEIR LOVED ONES RETURN HOME AND SUPPORTING THEM AFTER RELEASE.

The Greater Louisville Area Encompasses the following counties: Jefferson, Bullitt, Spencer, Shelby, Henry, Trimble, Oldham

www.louisvillereentry.org
www.facebook.com/louisvillereentry
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Upcoming Dates

June 9	October 13—KY DOC
July 14	November 10
August 11	December 8
September 8	

YOU ARE INVITED:

Interested in clearing something from your criminal record,
but can't afford to hire an attorney?

Free Expungement Information Sessions

Hosted by the Kentucky Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, the Department of Public Advocacy, Clean Slate Kentucky, AppalReD Legal Aid, and Legal Aid of the Bluegrass



Learn if you are eligible for expungement and how to clear your record
Talk to an attorney about getting free legal services if you qualify

Covington: Wednesday, July 27 at 6 PM

Kentucky Career Center, 1324 Madison Avenue, Covington, KY 41011

Hazard: Thursday, July 28 at 5 PM

Perry County Public Library, 289 Black Gold Boulevard, Hazard, KY 41701

Lexington: Tuesday, August 2 at 6 PM

Lexington Public Library, 140 East Main Street, Lexington, KY 40507

Grayson: Wednesday, August 3 at 2 PM

Carter County Public Library, 1446 KY-7, Grayson, KY 41143

Paducah: Saturday, August 6 at 12 PM

McCracken County Public Library, 555 Washington St, Paducah, KY 42003



A CLEAN SLATE

No RSVP needed. Questions? E-mail molly.green@ky.gov
Please bring proof of income if you have it available.

YOU ARE INVITED:



**Registration Now Open for the
43rd Annual Kentucky School of Alcohol & Other Drug Studies
July 17-21, 2016 - Crowne Plaza Airport Hotel, Louisville, KY
Please visit the web site today: <https://dbhdid.ky.gov/dbh/ksaods.aspx>.**

Each year, more than 600 Kentucky, Indiana and Ohio professionals from the alcohol and drug treatment, mental health, prevention and other related fields gather to hear from national and state leaders on the up-and-coming theories of practice in behavioral health.

Registration closes Thursday, June 30, 2016. On-site registration (cash or check only) is available on July 17-21, 2016. The deadline for Conference Rate Block of Sleep Room Reservations is June 15, 2016.

What to expect at this year's KY School:

Top-Notch Presenters: This year's event includes 48 presenters and 82 workshops. While many of the tried-and-true presenters will return, several up-and-coming presenters in the substance use and prevention field will also be featured. Plenary sessions will be held Sunday evening and Monday-Wednesday mornings. At the request of prior year attendees, Thursday's KY School schedule has been adjusted to provide for choices of two three-hour workshops or a single six-hour session (with no Plenary). As in the past, we'll offer continuing education hours, nursing contact hours and other professional credit hours for attendees.

Tuesday Evening Banquet: The Tuesday Evening Appreciation and Awards Banquet will feature John Tilly, Secretary for the Kentucky Justice and Public Safety Cabinet and presentation of the Robert Strauss Awards and Mike Lowther Award for Excellence in Prevention.

Exhibit Hall: This year's exhibit hall will be open Monday-Wednesday - 8:00a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

The registration fee is \$450 for the week (daily lunch and Tuesday evening banquet included) or \$125 daily (lunch included). **Registering for a full week?** Price includes daily lunch, the Tuesday Evening Appreciation and Awards Banquet, as well as a \$50 discount – all for \$450.00. Use this code to get this price: **KSAODS2016**. Less than full-time registrants should not use this code.

To reserve a hotel guest room, visit the Booking Website at:

https://resweb.passkey.com/Resweb.do?mode=welcome_ei_new&eventID=14207989&utm_source=2812&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=66298519 Notes: Rooms have double sinks to accommodate dual occupancy. The conference rate is extended past the conference date should participants wish to extend their stay to take advantage of events in the area.